

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 and 15-58 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 28, and 37 are independent claims. Claims have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph, and under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph. Those rejections are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

Objections to the Claims

Claim 1 has been objected to based on an informality involving the use of the word “respective” where unnecessary. Accordingly, Claim 1 has been amended to address the informality by removing the word “respective.” Removal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph

Claims 1, 28, and 37 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Regarding Claims 1, 28, and 37, the Examiner states that the term “*embedding document contents*” is not found in the Applicants’ specification. Claim 1 has been amended to recite “*document contents as embedded file data.*” Claims 28 and 37 have been amended to recite “*embedded file data for document contents.*” Support for “*embedded file data*” with respect to document contents is found on at least page 6, lines 17-19, of the Applicants’ specification as originally filed.

Even though the term “*embedded file data for document contents,*” *per se*, may not exist in the Applicants’ specification, it should be noted that there exists no *in haec verba* requirement that the specific language of a claim be found in the specification, but that claim limitations be supported by the specification through either express, implicit, or inherent disclosure (*see* MPEP, section 2163). Therefore, Claims 1, 28, and 37 comply with the written description requirement.

As such, the 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph, rejections of Claims 1, 28, and 37, as amended, are believed to be overcome. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-13 and 15-58 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding base Claims 1, 28, and 37, the Examiner states that the limitation regarding documents that "will or will not exist" appears to contradict the limitation regarding the presence of "embedded document contents" in a contents node of a structured workfolder, as documents must exist before they may be embedded. Accordingly, Claims 1, 28, and 37 have been amended to particularly point out that it is the existing documents that are embedded in the contents node of the structured workfolder. Therefore, Claims 1, 28, and 37, as amended, are believed to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention, and should be found in condition for allowance.

Regarding dependent Claim 30, the examiner states that use of the word "intended" is not considered a positive claim recitation, and suggests removing the word "intended" from Claim 30. Accordingly, Claim 30 has been amended in the manner suggested by the examiner.

Dependent Claims 2-13, 15-27, 29, 31-36, and 38-58 were rejected based on the rejections of base Claims 1, 28, and 37, thus, Claims 2-13, 15-27, 29, 31-36, and 38-58 should also be found in condition for allowance.

As such, the 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph, rejections of Claims 1-13 and 15-58 are believed to be overcome. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

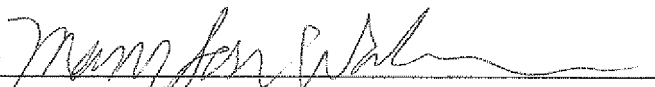
Accordingly, the present invention as claimed is believed to comply with the written description requirement and to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Removal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph, and the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph is respectfully requested. Accordingly, acceptance of Claims 1-13 and 15-58 is also respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims (Claims 1-13 and 15-58) are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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